



This report, updated monthly, is designed to provide you with a summary of active NHTSA Defect Investigations. The investigations listed below are grouped according to type of investigation ([Preliminary Evaluation](#), [Engineering Analysis](#), [Recall Query](#), and [Defect/Recall Petition](#)) and identify the products under investigation, the alleged problem, and the investigation status. For up-to-date details on specific investigations, you can enter its Action # in the Quick Search box at: <http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/defectsearch.cfm>

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MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT ENGINEERING ANALYSIS				
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
EA11-001	1999-2003 GM C/K pickup trucks and SUVs in Salt Belt states	Brake line corrosion failure	05-JAN-2011	
EA11-003	2009-2010 Volkswagen/Audi JETTA/Golf/A3 TDI Clean Diesel	High-Pressure Fuel Pump Failure (HPFP)	07-FEB-2011	
EA11-005	2004-2005 Mini Cooper	Loss of Power Steering Assist	04-MAY-2011	
EA11-014	2004-07 Saturn ION	Electric Power Steering Failure	29-SEP-2011	
EA11-015	MY 2007-2008 Saturn Aura	Transmission Cable Failure	10-NOV-2011	
EA12-005	93-04 Grand Cherokee, 93-01 Cherokee & 02-07 Liberty	Crash Related Fuel Tank Fires	12-JUN-2012	
EA12-007	1992-2012 MCI D & E Series Buses with Steerable Tag Axle	MCI Driveshaft Safety Loop Failures	13-SEP-2012	
EA12-008	2012 Hyundai Elantra	Side Curtain Air Bag Improper Deployment	13-SEP-2012	
EA12-009	2008-2010 Ford Fusion, Mercury Milan and Lincoln MKZ	Accelerator Pedal Interference	12-DEC-2012	
EA13-001	2009-2012 (models listed in the summary)	Child Seat Harness Buckle	21-FEB-2013	
EA13-003	MY 2003-2008 E-Class Vehicles	Fuel Leakage From The Fuel Tank	15-MAR-2013	
EA13-004	MY 2005-11 Crown Victoria, Grand Marquis and Town Car	Loss of Steering Control	26-APR-2013	15-NOV-2013
EA13-005	2005-2008 Pontiac G6	Brake Light Malfunction	06-JUN-2013	
EA13-006	2005-2008 BMW R-Series	Fuel Leak - Motorcycle	12-JUL-2013	
EA13-007	2005-2007 Chevrolet Corvette	Loss of Low Beam Headlights	23-AUG-2013	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PRELIMINARY EVALUATIONS				
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
PE12-017	2011 Ford Explorer	Loss of electric power assisted steering	19-JUN-2012	

PE13-003	MY 2009-2011 Ford Escape, Fusion, Mariner and Milan	Electronic Throttle Body Malfunction	21-FEB-2013	
PE13-009	MY 2001-2007 Porsche 911 models equipped with GT1 engine	Rapid coolant loss	26-APR-2013	
PE13-010	Model Year 2005 - 2006 Dodge Viper	Rear suspension knuckle failure	26-APR-2013	
PE13-011	2011 Autocar equipped with ISL-G engine	Throttle return delay	26-APR-2013	
PE13-014	MY 2008 Ford F250 / F350 Super Duty Trucks	Loss of Steering Capability	07-MAY-2013	
PE13-016	MY 2006 Chrysler 300C, Dodge Charger and Magnum	Engine Stall	09-MAY-2013	
PE13-017	MY 2000-2012 Sutphen Vehicles with Aerial Fire Apparatus	Aerial Fire Apparatus Cable Failure	22-MAY-2013	19-NOV-2013
PE13-018	2011 - 2013 Ford F150 with 3.5L GTDI engine	Reduced power during hard acceleration	22-MAY-2013	
PE13-019	Agility CNG Fuel Containers with Youngdo Manual Valves	CNG Fuel Container Manual Valve	06-JUN-2013	
PE13-020	MY 2003-2004 Honda Odyssey	Inadvertent Air Bag Deployment	06-JUN-2013	
PE13-024	MY 2007 and 2008 Honda Odyssey	Inappropriate autonomous braking	25-JUN-2013	04-NOV-2013
PE13-026	2008-2009 Mercedes Benz C-Class	Mercedes C-Class Rear Lamp Failures	11-JUL-2013	
PE13-027	2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee	2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee Headliner Fires	19-AUG-2013	
PE13-028	MY 2009 - 2013 Spartan Motorhome Chassis	Sway Bar End Link Failure	26-AUG-2013	
PE13-029	2013 Nissan Pathfinder and Infiniti JX	Sudden loss of transmission fluid	29-AUG-2013	
PE13-031	MY 2012-2014 Ford Focus Electric	Electric powertrain propulsion failure	06-SEP-2013	15-NOV-2013
PE13-032	2008-2013 Trailers	Trailer Structural Cracks	20-SEP-2013	
PE13-033	2009 Hyundai Genesis	Reduced brake effectiveness	17-OCT-2013	
PE13-034	2012 Jeep Liberty	Driver's Side Door Fires	21-OCT-2013	
PE13-035	2011-2013 Kia Sorento	Sunroof Implosion	21-OCT-2013	
PE13-036	2009-2011 Volkswagen Tiguan	Loss of Exterior Lights	04-NOV-2013	
PE13-037	2013 Tesla Model S	Fire - Propulsion Battery - Road Debris	15-NOV-2013	
PE13-038	2012 Ford F-550 with BAF Installed CNG Fuel System	CNG Fuel Container Securement	15-NOV-2013	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT RECALL QUERY				
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
RQ13-002	2012 Chevrolet Camaro, Cruze and Sonic, and Buick Verano	Driver Air Bag Module Connector Failure	31-MAY-13	
RQ13-003	2013 Malibu Eco & 2012-13 Regal, LaCrosse eAssist HEV	Generator Control Module Fires	05-JUL-13	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PETITIONS				
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Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
DP09-006	2005 - 07 MODEL YEAR BLUE BIRD WANDERLODGE M450 MOTOR HOME	ALLEGED INADEQUATE CAMPAIGN REMEDY	30-NOV-2009	
DP12-004	MY 2005-2010 Nissan Frontier/Xterra/Frontier	Transmission Failure (ATF contamination)	11-JUN-2012	
DP13-001	2004-2009 Toyota Prius	Steering Intermediate Shaft Failure	21-FEB-2013	
DP13-002	2012 Toyota Prius C	2012 Toyota Prius C brake system failure	18-MAR-2013	

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION (PE)

Initial phase of a NHTSA investigation, a PE is prompted after a review of consumer complaints and/or manufacturer service bulletins suggest a safety defect may exist. The results of a PE determine whether the investigation will be upgraded to an Engineering Analysis or closed. Most PEs are resolved within four months.

ENGINEERING ANALYSIS (EA)

Second and final phase of a NHTSA investigation, an EA is undertaken if data from a PE indicate further examination of a potential safety defect is warranted. The results of an EA determine whether a safety recall should be initiated or the investigation should be closed. Most EAs are resolved within one year.

RECALL QUERY (RQ)

NHTSA monitors recalls to ensure that the scope, completion rate, and remedy are adequate. If recall adequacy comes into question, an RQ is opened to determine if the scope of the recall should be expanded or an adjustment in existing remedies is required.

DEFECT OR RECALL PETITION (DP OR RP)

NHTSA may be petitioned to investigate an alleged safety defect or whether a manufacturer has successfully carried out the requirements of a recall. If the petition is granted, NHTSA opens an appropriate investigation. If the petition is denied, the reasons for denial are published in the Federal Register.

If you have a safety concern or want to learn more...

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